

The changes that are proposed to the "Rules and Regulations Implementing the Telephone Consumer Protection Act in 1991-CG Docket No. 02-278" will effect businesses more than some people believe. Yes, the calls can be annoying, but if one truly takes time to think about it they'll realize that without telemarketers many businesses wouldn't be able to survive.

Numerous businesses depend on telemarketing. American Cancer Society for one; they are non-profit organization that depends somewhat on donations given from people over the phone. Without having the freedom to make these phone calls, how could the American Cancer Society raise the money they need? Organizations, such as this one, need to have free reign on calling people because without it they wouldn't last.

People complain about the unwanted telephone calls, but they should realize by now that there are other products out there for them to buy to ensure they don't receive any telemarketing calls. Another would be to have caller id on their phones. With caller id they don't have to pick it up if they don't want to. I, however, don't have either of those things so when the phone rings I pick it up. If it is a telemarketer I simply tell them politely that I am not interested.

A national no-call-list doesn't seem like it would work to me. Simply because too many businesses depend on it and by taking it away from them we'd cause more harm than good. It isn't imaginable that someone can't pick up the phone, see what someone has to say, is it?